



**Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
Division of Water Pollution Control
Mining Section**

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Public Participation Opportunities

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The purpose of this notice is to advise the public of the following draft environmental permits and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the potential impact of the proposed activities on human health and the environment.

Individual NPDES Permits

Coal Proposed Modification/Reissuances

Applicant	Mountainside Coal Company, Inc.
Facility	Cooper Ridge Area 1
NPDES Permit Number	TN0072281
County	Claiborne
Street Address	Rock Creek Ridge Road
City	Clairfield
Zip	37715
Description of Activity	Reclaimed surface coal mine
Receiving Streams	Wet weather conveyances Unnamed tributaries to Straight Creek Wet weather conveyance to Nolan Branch
Effluent Description	Treated wastewater and storm water
Facility Latitude	36°33'13"
Facility Longitude	83°54'47"
Permit Writer	MRR
Applicant	National Coal Corporation
Facility	Jordan Ridge Refuse Area
NPDES Permit Number	TN0062961
County	Scott
Street Address	Smoky Junction Road
City	Smoky Junction
Zip	37756
Description of Activity	Coal refuse disposal area
Receiving Streams	Cross Creek and an unnamed tributary to New River
Effluent Description	Treated wastewater and storm water
Facility Latitude	36°17'06"
Facility Longitude	84°20'48"
Permit Writer	JCP

Non-Coal Proposed Modification/Reissuance

Applicant **General Shale Brick, Inc.**
Facility **Mine No. 15 - Wolf Valley**
NPDES Permit Number **TN0054470**
County Anderson
Street Address Wolf Valley Road
City Clinton
Zip 37716
Description of Activity Shale mining
Receiving Stream Little Dismal Creek
Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water
Facility Latitude 36°04'41"
Facility Longitude 84°06'10"
Permit Writer SJT

Non-Coal Proposed Reissuances

Applicant **Craighead Limestone Company, Inc.**
Facility **Craighead Limestone Quarry**
NPDES Permit Number **TN0068969**
County Monroe
Street Address 1700 Sands Road
City Sweetwater
Zip 37874
Description of Activity Limestone mining and processing with an asphalt plant
Receiving Stream Fork Creek
Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water
Facility Latitude 35°36'00"
Facility Longitude 84°22'30"
Permit Writer SJT

Applicant **Mossy Creek Mining, LLC**
Facility **New Market Mine and Mill**
NPDES Permit Number **TN0057029**
County Jefferson
Street Address 1170 Reed Bull Road
City New Market
Zip 37820
Description of Activity Tailings removal at an inactive zinc mine
Receiving Streams Ault Lake/ Dry Land Creek
Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water
Facility Latitude 36°04'31"
Facility Longitude 83°33'41"
Permit Writer SJT

Applicant	Rogers Group, Inc.
Facility	Celina Quarry
NPDES Permit Number	TN0063479
County	Clay
Street Address	120 River Road
City	Celina
Zip	38551
Description of Activity	Limestone quarry
Receiving Stream	Obey River
Effluent Description	Treated wastewater and storm water
Facility Latitude	36°32'22"
Facility Longitude	85°29'23"
Permit Writer	SJT

TDEC is requesting public comment on these permit actions. Obtaining a broad range of facts and opinions on Agency actions is one of the best ways to ensure quality decisions. Persons wishing to comment on these proposed actions are invited to submit comments in writing to the Mining Section at the above letterhead address, Attn: Public Notice Coordinator, by fax (865) 594-5253 or by e-mail at Gary.Mullins@state.tn.us. Comments must be received by the end of comment period date (see page 1).

How to Request a Public Hearing:

Interested persons may request in writing that the Director of the Division of Water Pollution Control hold a public hearing on any application. The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the party filing it and the reasons why such a hearing is warranted. When there is significant public interest for a hearing, a hearing will be conducted according to *Rule 1200-4-5-.06 (12)* of the Division of Water Pollution Control. Public hearings will be announced through another public notice.

How the Department Will Proceed:

The Director of the Division of Water Pollution Control will determine the final permit action after considering comments submitted during the comment period, the hearing record, if any, and the requirements of the Federal and State acts and regulations.

To Obtain Permit Details:

Draft permits contain Antidegradation Determinations and Rationales that address information concerning the foundation for the Division's determinations. Copies of the application(s), draft permit(s), and supporting documentation are in the permit files maintained at the Mining Section's office located at the letterhead address. There is a nominal fee for copying. These files are available for public inspection during normal visiting hours. Please email Elaine.Killion@state.tn.us or call (865) 594-1062 to schedule an appointment for the review(s).

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State of Tennessee Antidegradation Policy

Tennessee's Antidegradation Statement is in Chapter 1200-4-3-.06 of the *Rules of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation*. The primary purpose of the Antidegradation Policy is to establish a greater level of protection for high quality waters. Some high quality waters are in near-pristine condition. Others are determined to be high quality due to specialized uses and/or unique features.

Generally, there are two types of high quality waters. Outstanding National Resource Waters (ONRWs) or Tier 3 waters receive the greatest level of protection. The Water Quality Control Board designates these waters. New discharges or expansion of existing discharges cannot degrade existing water quality.

The Department identifies other high quality waters known as Tier 2 waters and protects against their degradation. The Department may allow some degradation if the Department deems it economically and socially necessary.

Tier 1 waters refer to other surface waters that do not have the identification and/or designation as high quality. These waters must achieve and maintain Tennessee's Water Quality Standards.

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